decided in the National Workshop on Fisheries held at New Delhi on 10th June, 1895.

Denial of E.S.I. Benegt to Workers

1114. SHRI O. J. JOSEPH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received detailed report about denial of ESI benefits to a large section of workers due to amendment of certain section for eligibility of the benefits;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the 91 day formula replacing the earlier 1 week formula has affected a large number of working women who will be denied maternity benefit;

(c) whether the quantum of benefit has not been increased though deductions from the workers have been ncreased; and

(d) the steps Government are taking to amend the law in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH): (a) and (b) The Government of Kerala have pointed out that the changes in the qualifying conditions for sickness benefit and maternity benefit under the ESI Act have affected the interest of cashew workers in the State.

(c) There has been marginal increase in the rate of contribution in respect of certain wage groups consequent on the introduction of the system of payment of contribution on percentage basis. The rates of benefits, however, remain unchanged.

(d) The difficulties alleged to have been caused by the change in the qualifying conditions for grant of sickness benefit and maternity benefits are being looked into.

कंपनियों को और कर्मकारों की भविष्य निधि की बाकाया धनराशि

1115. **श्री हुक्मदेव नारायण यादव :**
श्री बी० सत्यनारायण रेड्डी :

क्या श्रम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) देश में किस-किस कम्पनी, उद्योग और संस्थान पर कितना-कितना रुपया कर्मकारों की भविष्य निधि का बाकी है ; और

(ख) सरकार ने इस बकाया धनराशि का वसूली क लिए क्या कार्रवाई की है ?

श्रम मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री टी० अंजैया) : (क) 31-3-1985 की स्थिति के अनुसार, 8,500 प्रतिष्ठानों ने भविष्य निधि की देय राशियों को अदा करने मे चूक की। सभी चूककार प्रतिष्ठानों के ब्यौरे तत्काल उपलब्ध नही है। तथापि, उन छूट-न-प्राप्त प्रतिष्ठानों के नाम, जिनकी ओर एक लाख रुपय और इससे अधिक बकाया राशि देय है, संलग्न सूची में दिए गए हैं [देखिए परिशिष्ट (XXXV अनुबंध संख्या 27]

(ख) भविष्य निधि प्राधिकारी, कर्मचारी भविष्य निधि और प्रकीण उपबंध अधिनियम, 1952 के उपबंधों के अनुसार बकायादेय राशियों की वसूली करने के लिए चूककार प्रतिष्ठानों के खिलाफ आवश्यक कानूनी और दाडिक कार्रवाई कर रहे हैं।

Sampat Committee Recommendations for incentives to New Sugar Mills

1116. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Sampet Committee had made some recommendations giving incentives to new sugar mills in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Sampat Committee incentive scheme envisages benefits to high cost new sugar factories and expansion projects in the shape of higher free sugar releases over the normal 25 per cent entitlement and excise duty concessions at levy sugar duty rates on such extra released freesale sugar.

Suggestions about Closure and Lockouts given by Central Trade Unions

1117. SHRI O. J. JOSEPH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Trade Unions had handed over a memorandum on May 15, 1985 to Government giving certain suggestions about closures and lockouts;

(b) if so, what are the details hereof; and

(c) what decision Government have taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI V. ANJIAH): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. In a memorandum given to the Labour Minister on the 15th May, 1985, the National Campaign Committee of trade unions had expressed concern over the increasing incidence of industrial sickness, lockouts and closures and wanted action to prevent industrial closures and restart the closed industrial units, if necessary, through nationalisation. While closures and lockouts are regulated under the relevant provisions of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947, remedial action to prevent sickness and restart sick units is being taken in accordance with the policy guidelines issued by Government in the Ministry of Industry.

Sugar Production

1118. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what was the world production of sugar and sugar cane during the last three years, yearwise; and

(b) what was India's share of production of sugar and sugar cane during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) The figures of world sugarcane production based on FAO production year book 1982 and the world sugar production for the relevant years as contained in the "Sugar Review" dated 13-6-85 published by C. CZarnikow Ltd. London based on estimates of F.O. Licht, are as under:—

Year (September-August)	World Sugarcane production (million tonnes)	World sugar production raw value (million tonnes)
1982-83	884·3	100·6
1983-84	888·7	98·8
1984-85	N.A	99·6 (estimated)

The figures of sugar cane and sugar production in India for the above years are as under:—